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## Grady-White's Open Family Cruiser, Saltwater Sportfisherman: Multi-Platform Freedom 275 Dual Console Is the Ultimate Transformer and All New for 2016!

great boat is now even better! Since its debut, the popular Freedom 275 dual console Grady-White has wowed families who eniov all forms of water recreation with its versatility and supreme functional features, whether the day's fun is pulling water toys, serious fishing or just a cruise to a favorite beach or coastal restaurant. For 2016, the already-exciting Freedom 275 adds an expanded helm area and reconfigured deluxe seating for cockpit spaciousness, and the new deck design is accomplished with a special appeal. Top this with a wider

port console entry, a new wet bar set up, plus refined features both standard and optional, and—without a doubt—you've got a bigger slice of boat heaven.

Let's start from the bow. The anchor locker features a through-the-hull chute for easier anchor deployment and a clear deck. There's seat room for six people (and your biggest furry buddies) on the comfy port and starboard bow box cushions. Moving aft, the entry to the lockable port console with head is wider for easy access, and the new bow layout allows longer rod storage in the console.

Widening the helm area adds generous seating space for increased comfort. Standard helm seating is a deluxe horizontally and vertically adjustable chair, and can be upgraded to a plush cushioned contoured seat with flip-up bolster. Companion seating is wider and is backed by an electromechanically extendable lounge seat, all on a rugged, durable fiberglass base.

The optional deluxe wet bar now faces inboard, and is located just behind the helm seat. This entertainment feature has a Corian® countertop, sink, fire





- Beam Amidships: 8'6" (2.59 m)
- Bridge Clearance: 8'6" (2.59 m)
- Center Line Length: 26'11" (8.20 m)
- Cockpit Area: 61 sq. ft. (8.20 m2)
- Cockpit Depth: 27" (0.69 m)
- Hull Draft: 20" (0.51 m)

- Maximum HP: 500 (373 kW)
- Outboard Shaft Length: Single: 30" (0.76 m) Dual: 25" (0.64 m)
- Standard Fuel Capacity: 184 gal. (696 I)
- Transom Width: 7'10" (2.39 m)
- Weight w/o Engine: 4972 lb. (2255 kg)

extinguisher holder, storage and trash compartment, and can be equipped with a grill and with a refrigerator. Anyone can be a short order cook with this feature on the *Freedom 275!* 

The aft cockpit working space is enlarged so there's more room to play, fish or just chill. Grady-White's patented aft bench seat provides more seating when needed, and folds away when things get busy. And for tow sport enthusiasts, there's a freshly restyled optional ski pylon that fully recesses into the transom when stored. The integrated swim ladder with transom door access adds to ease of coming and going.

You won't find a dreamier 27-foot dual console anywhere. The *Freedom 275* and all Grady-Whites are now available in one of five hull gelcoat colors or two paint colors.

Each and every Grady features the remarkable performance of a SeaV<sup>2®</sup> hull, softer, drier, more stable ride, to take you boating more days every year.

Established in 1959, Grady-White currently builds 27 models of versatile, saltwatertough center console, dual console, express and walkaround cuddy cabin sportfishing and coastal family boats from 18 to 37 feet. Grady-White is historically renowned for and highest rated in customer satisfaction by every third party study ever done in the marine industry. Marine Industry Hall of Fame member Eddie Smith and the Smith family have owned the company since 1968.







Visitors are welcome to tour the factory in Greenville, NC, and meet the passionate craftspeople who build the ultimate outboard powered family-and-sportfishing boats. See www.gradywhite.com to learn more about Grady-White's exceptional attention to detail in every boat they build.

Grady-White currently builds nine dual console models ranging from 19 - 37 feet.